



**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Women Development, Child Welfare & Disabled Welfare Department – Providing laptop to Visually Challenged students as an assistive device for promoting access to quality education and enhancing their professional skills – Orders – Issued.

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**WOMEN DEVELOPMENT, CHILD WELFARE & DISABLED WELFARE
(DW.A2) DEPARTMENT**

G.O. Rt. No. 395

Dated: 3rd Dec, 2009.

ORDER:-

After careful examination of the representations for providing laptops to Visually Handicapped Students, Government is convinced that laptops will serve dual purposes of providing access to quality education and enhance employability of Visually Handicapped students studying professional courses in colleges.

2. Therefore, Government hereby issue the following orders:-

- (i) A committee headed by Commissioner, Department for the Welfare of Disabled & Senior Citizens with Managing Director, A.P. Vikalangula Co-operative Corporation as convenor and Sri N.S.Sastry, Managing Trustee of Samrita Trust will identify professional courses and after due verification select a suitable laptop, plan requirement, and distribution of laptops to eligible Visually Handicapped Students.
- (ii) The tenure of NGO representative, Sri N.S. Sastry, will be for a period of two years to start with.
- (iii) Laptops shall be procured as per procedure and issued through APVCC to every eligible Visually Handicapped Student pursuing professional courses for their use as a personal assistive device.
- (iv) The issue of this assistive device along with other benefits shall be computerized and monitored accordingly, so that the benefits reach maximum number of Visually Handicapped students and there is transparency in the process. Progress of Visually Handicapped students issued with laptops in education and employment shall be obtained from the Visually Handicapped Students as feedback on benefits of the laptops to Visually Handicapped Students.
- (v) The expenditure of procurement of laptops for Visually Handicapped students shall be met from the existing budget earmarked for educational aids etc. within the budget allocation.

- (vi) Andhra Pradesh Technology Services shall procure the laptops with screen reader software as per requirement communicated by the Committee constituted at para 2 (i), within one month of receiving such communication.
- (vii) Any misuse or diversion of funds provided for this purpose shall entail stringent action against all concerned.
- (viii) The Managing Director, APVCC shall ensure necessary procurement of laptops and their issue following prescribed procedure and report progress on implementation to the Government.

3. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (Expn. WD,CW&DW) Department vide their U.O. No.025813/181/Expn.WD/09, dt.2.11.2009.

4. This Govt. Order can be accessed at <http://goir.ap.gov.in>

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA RADESH)

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PRL.SERETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

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The Managing Director, Andhra Pradesh Vikalangula Co-operative Corporation, Hyderabad
The Managing Trustee, Samrita Trust, 54, Vayupuri, Hyderabad.

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